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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 7157

Hideyuki HASHI et al. : Docket No. 2004_0279A

Serial No. 10/803,878 : Group Art Unit 2652

Filed March 19, 2004 :

HEAD SUPPORT DEVICE AND DISK
DRIVE USING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.